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REPORT OF THE UNITED NATIONS HIGH COMMISSIONER FOR REFUGEES, QUESTIONS RELATING TO REFUGEES, RETURNEES AND DISPLACED PERSONS AND HUMANITARIAN QUESTIONS

Armenia, Azerbaijan, Belarus, Georgia, Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Russian Federation, Tajikistan and Turkmenistan: draft resolution

Comprehensive consideration and review of the problems of refugees, returnees, displaced persons and related migratory movements

The General Assembly,

Recalling its resolution 48/113 of 20 December 1993,

Having considered the report of the Secretary-General 1/ and the concerns expressed therein about the magnitude of existing and potential refugee and related migratory movements in the Commonwealth of Independent States and relevant neighbouring States,

Reaffirming the need for the international community to consider comprehensive approaches for the coordination of action with regard to refugees, returnees, displaced persons and related migratory movements,

1. Calls upon the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees, in consultation with concerned States and in coordination with relevant intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations, to continue to consider comprehensive regional approaches to the problems of refugees and displaced persons;

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2. Also calls upon the High Commissioner to continue her efforts to promote and develop a preparatory process, leading to the convening, not later than 1996, of a regional conference to address the problems of refugees, displaced persons, other forms of involuntary displacement and returnees in the Commonwealth of Independent States and other relevant neighbouring States, and urges States and the intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations concerned to support that process, including follow-up measures;

3. Invites Member States and the specialized agencies, other international organizations, relevant United Nations bodies, regional organizations and non-governmental organizations concerned to continue consultations on the appropriateness of convening a global conference on the problems of refugees, returnees and displaced persons, bearing in mind the results of prior relevant conferences;

4. Requests the Secretary-General to report to the General Assembly at its fiftieth session on the implementation of the present resolution.